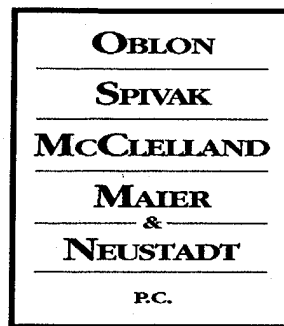




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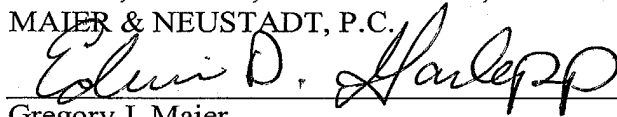
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The following remarks are responsive to the Official Action mailed February 13, 2003.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested. Claims 1 and 4-9 are presently active in this case.

In the outstanding Official Action, Claims 1 and 4-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicants' admitted prior art; and Claim 3 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicants' admitted prior art in view of EP 0223612 to Denk.

First, Applicants wish to thank Examiner Addison and Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) Ramirez for the March 3, 2003 personal interview at which time the outstanding issues

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